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THE AUDRE LORDE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

PROMOTING BLACK LESBIAN/GAY SCHOLARSHIP

LIFTING AS WE CLIMB

September 27, 2003

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PHOTOGRAPH of Audre Lorde (Please take from website)

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Welcome from Keisha Cunningham, Proclamation from H. Lamar Willis

presented by Susan

Introduction of Dr. Shirlene Holmes (Attached)

Keynote Address: Dr. Shirlene Holmes

Introduction of 1st Named Award

Please ask that Scholars remain seated until you ask them to come forward to accept their checks from the donors:

The Ruth Ellis Award funded by Wendy Belkin is awarded to Sharon Thomas and Clarice Thompson: Please read their bios...Then We've asked Latonya Peoples to serenade you with the gift of song: Singing Homeless Child

Craig & Frances will present the checks o/b/o Wendy Belkin
Recipients then come up...

The Sheryl Burke Award is awarded to Leslie Johnson, Crystal Wiley and Tineka Johnson (who is unable to attend because she's spending her first semester of medical school in the Dominicans)

Reading of Bios

Janiese Thompson will sing the song, "Sista" to them with Angelina Hughley on Sax, BJ and Angela Taylor of DrumSista on Djemba and Lilli Lewis and Louisa McColloum singing background

Please ask Sheryl to come up and present the check
Recipients then come up
Please read regrets from Tineka Johnson

Now we will introduce Recipients in Dyads/ Triads

The Tony Daniels Ally Award funded by ADODI Muse is awarded to Skyler Jackson
Reading of Bio

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ADODI Muse will do performance piece...

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Lilli Lewis will sing for them Ella's Song by Sweet Honey In The Rock

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We have one last award that's not on your program. If you haven't noticed our Executive Director and producer of this program likes a little suspense. 2 of our donors from last year have teamed up this year to award the Mary Anne Adams-Edith Biggers Leadership Award to one of our 2003 recipients...

This is an award that the donors felt moved to give this year and that they have decreed will be given annually...
Read bio of donors and then donors come up...

Donors will introduce Louisa McCullough singing The Impossible Dream

Recipient Accepts Check

Introduction of Former Scholarship Recipients to Ask for Donations to A.L. Scholarship Fund

Intro of Rev. Jones

Charge to Recipients: Rev. Antonio Jones

We have a response from two of the recipients: Charles Stephens reading an original piece and Clarice Thompson speaking loud in prose.

The End...Adjoin for Cake...

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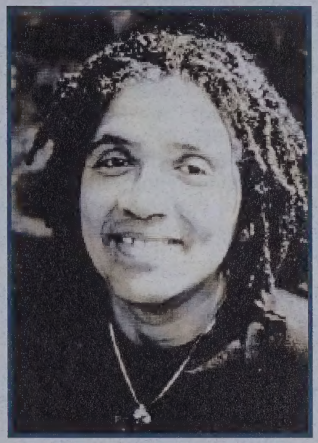

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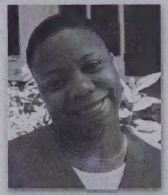

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Clarice Thompson and **Sharon Thomas** are the recipients of the **Ruth Ellis Award**.

Clarice Thompson is the visiting Instructor/ Music Director at Brown University-Africana Studies in Rhode Island. She serves as the Ethnomusicologist, specializing in African-American music, and is pursuing a Doctor of Music degree from the University of Mississippi. In her capacity as faculty member, Thompson is a mentor to many lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender students of African descent. Thompson currently supervises the student's research in the area of transgender male-to-female persons, with a focus on entertainers.

In the fall of 1997, **Sharon Thomas** left her comfortable job of 20 years as a Computer Aided Drafter to go back to school at age 39. After being in school for two months, she suffered a stroke that left her debilitated. Through hard work and perseverance, Thomas stayed in school and is now a graduating senior at the University of Washington in Tacoma, pursuing a degree in Mass Communications. She started a computer technical center for lesbians, in which she still volunteers as a tutor. In addition, Thomas also volunteers and is a member of the Women's Funding Alliance Committee.

Louis Dixon, the recipient of the **Keiron Williams Hero Award,** is a sophomore at Cal State University-Dominguez Hills, pursing a degree in Human Services. While consistently serving as a positive role model for the gay community, Dixon has served as the spokesperson/model for the "HIV Stops With Me" campaign in Long Beach, California. According to Dixon, the two things that have most influenced his life are his HIV status and his recovery from drugs and alcohol. He was instrumental in starting the Unity Fellowship Church in California and assisted in the formation of the Minority Aids Project.

Kendra G. Mann, the recipient of the **Sadiqua Bey Memorial Award,** is a student at the University of Phoenix and will graduate in 2005 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Management. Mann currently serves as Business Services Manager for Planned Parenthood, a non-profit organization committed to women's interests. Her role in the organization has been pivotal in helping to close the gap on issues related to sexual orientation.

Leslie Johnson, Crystal S. Wiley, and **Tineka Johnson** are the recipients of the **Sheryl Burke Award.**

Leslie Johnson quickly found herself mired in many communities when she entered Stanford University in the fall of 2000. She has even been called a "Professional Lesbian" because of the extent to which she is involved in the lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, and transgender community (LGBT). The Co- President of Black and Queer at Stanford (BlaQS) for the past two years, this year Johnson also spearheaded a new program, Café Q, which is designed to build bridges between the LGBT community and a diverse array of student organizations.

Crystal Wiley is a graduating senior at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Georgia, and is a founding member of A.D.O.R.E. (Affirmed Daughters of Ruth Ellis), a campus organization that supports lesbian and bi-sexual women of color. Wiley, who will graduate with a Political Science degree in 2004, is the President of the college Judicial Board and a member of the college Supreme Court. In addition to A.D.O.R.E., she has also been at the forefront in starting Angry Citizens of DiverCity, an underground organization that initiates radical acts such as distributing pamphlets that identify individuals who have made problematic statements on campus.

Tineka Johnson describes herself as Black, as Lesbian, as Christian. "I am comfortable with my sexuality. I am comfortable with me. I am no different from anyone else and God does not love me any less," affirms Johnson. As an out lesbian, living, working and teaching bible study in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Johnson decided two and a half years ago that she wanted to serve God and her community by counseling Latina and African-American "at risk" lesbian/ bisexual teenage girls. Johnson, begins medical school this fall at Ross University in New Jersey and is the first member of her family to graduate from college.

Skyler Jackson, the recipient of the **Tony Daniels Ally Award,** is a junior at Stanford University in California, where he has received academic awards for excellence. This year, Jackson has provided leadership for two student organizations: President of Querillas and Co-President of Black and Queer at Stanford (BlaQS). Querillas creates and sustains queer activism by mobilizing, educating, and empowering members of the Stanford community. As President of BlaQS, he leads the group in affirming the advancement of lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, questioning, and queer identified students of African descent at the university.

Melissa Gordon, the recipient of the **Ronald Moore Humanitarian Award,** is a senior at Tennessee State University majoring in Social Work. Since 2001, she has devoted much of her time to Project Shine, a mentoring program she founded to instill pride in and create opportunities for black girls. Last academic year, Gordon managed to stay on the Dean's List while volunteering with Food Not Bombs: preparing and delivering bi-weekly vegetarian meals to the homeless. She also volunteered with Just Crumbs helping them donate food from organic gardens to those in need. Gordon also serves as an HIV outreach volunteer for Nashville Cares and Bridging.

Shayna Robinson, the recipient of the **Cherie Caldwell Award** begins her second year of college this fall at the University of Maryland where she will study English. Robinson began her activism as a high school student when she founded Spectrum, a student run organization created to address issues dealing with race, class and sexuality, while also serving as an HIV and AIDS Peer Educator. Robinson spent her freshman year at Brown University where she put in countless hours as Coordinator of The Next Thing, TNT, a student group organized around combating homophobia, racism and classism in communities of color and queer communities.

Charles Stephens, the recipient of the **Marlon Riggs Social Justice Award,** attends Georgia State University in Atlanta where he is one of the few men studying Women's Studies. He is a founding member of The Black Rainbow, a discussion group for young Black queer men. He serves on the Board of Directors of the National Youth Advocacy Coalition (NYAC), a national queer organization that supports the efforts of grassroots queer youth organizations, and the National AIDS Council. Active in campus organizing, Stephens works with the Young Democrats Gay and Lesbian Caucus.

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The ZAMI Mission Statement

ZAMI's primary mission is to empower and affirm the lives of lesbians of African descent through providing scholarship funds, leadership development, support/discussion groups, social activities, outreach and education.

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The scholarship fund is the brainchild of ZAMI's current Executive Director, Mary Anne Adams. The first two scholarships were awarded in 1997 to Wendi O'Neal from Spelman College and Akeya Works from Georgia State University.

Since that time, we have awarded a total of 48, $1000 scholarships to "out" black lesbians and gay men nation–wide who are making significant contributions to their communities.

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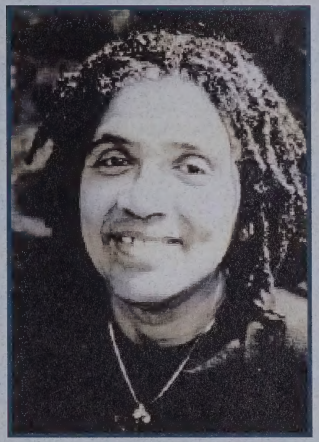

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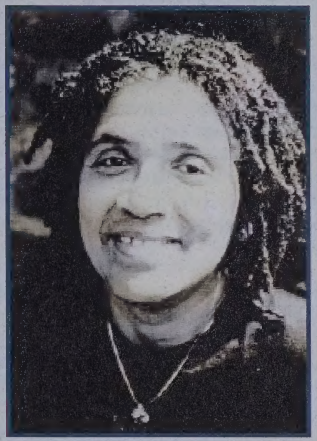

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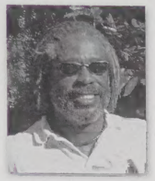

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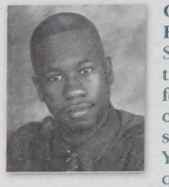

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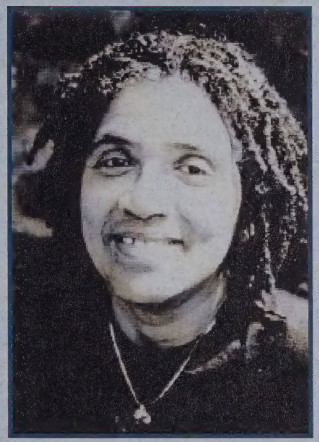

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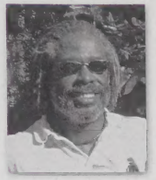

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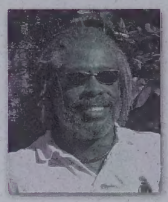

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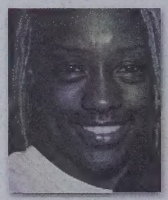

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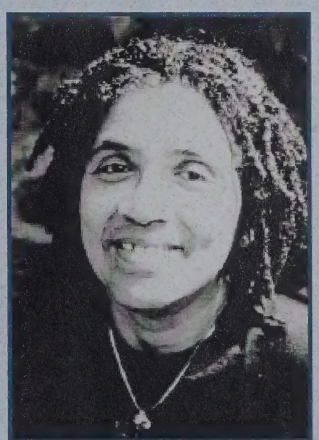

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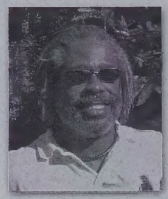

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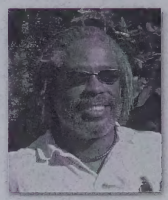

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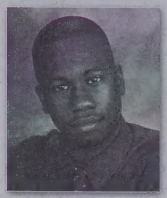

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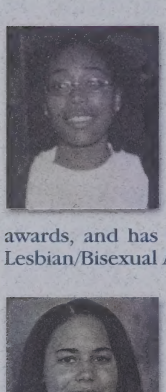

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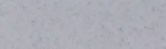

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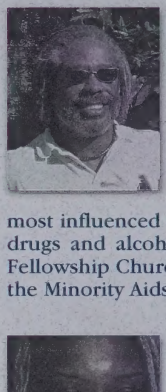

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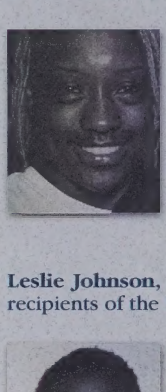

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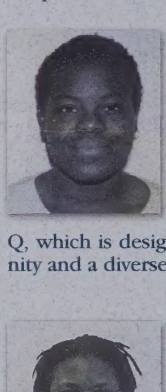

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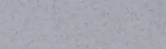

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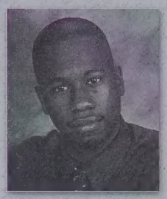

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The Ronald Moore Humanitarian Award: Moore is currently the Diversity Manager for the corporate functions group of Hewlett Packard. This is a global group of over 13,000 infrastructure employees. Most recently he was the Human Resources Manger for Hewlett Packard's Consumer Business Organization's Latin America Operation in Atlanta.

The Keiron Williams Hero Award: Keiron Williams, (1974-2002) was one of Atlanta's bright young stars. In 1996, HIV positive and fighting to maintain his health; Williams challenged Morehouse College for the right to start a campus based organization to support Gay students, and in that same year, Morehouse Adodi was founded. A tireless fighter, in 1997, Williams became one of the founding Coordinators of the Atlanta group known as My Brother Keeper.

This award is funded by **Kevin Byne,** a friend, colleague, and tireless community organizer/ activist around queer youth and HIV/ AIDS issues.

The ZAMI Mission Statement

ZAMI's primary mission is to empower and affirm the lives of lesbians of African descent through providing scholarship funds, leadership development, support/discussion groups, social activities, outreach and education.

The Audre Lorde Scholarship Fund

The scholarship fund is the brainchild of ZAMI's current Executive Director, Mary Anne Adams. The first two scholarships were awarded in 1997 to Wendi O'Neal from Spelman College and Akeya Works from Georgia State University.

Since that time, we have awarded a total of 48, $1000 scholarships to "out" black lesbians and gay men nation–wide who are making significant contributions to their communities.

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